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#TEAMALEX

Welcome home

Neighbors line streets as injured teen returns

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After two and a half months of fundraisers, prayers and well wishing, #TeamAlex hit the streets for a homecoming last week.

Alex Scafuri, an Agawam High School sophomore, was injured in a tragic March 16 accident where he was struck by an alleged drunk driver while skateboarding home from volleyball tryouts.

After fighting for his life, he has been spending the past several weeks at a special facility in Atlanta as he tries to work his way back from paralyzing injuries.

Scafuri has made progress and was allowed to return home for about a week to spend time with family and friends as well as to be present for a large benefit held at the Polish American Club last Sunday afternoon. According to Scafuri's aunt, Maria Gensheimer, more than 600 people purchased tickets and attended.

Many more individuals, groups, and businesses made major donations for raffle prizes to help the Scafuri family for their insured expenses related to his injury.



Alex Scafuri, 16, acknowledges a crowd of people holding signs and cheering across the street from his home. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

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TOWN BUDGET

DPW: New parks mean more staff

Sewer rate hike being considered to pay for infrastructure

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Public Works Director Christopher Golba is asking for two additional highway and grounds employees this year, largely because of improved parks set to open this summer.

"The second phase of School Street Park has now opened up and we also will have a new dog park at Shea Park this year," Golba told the City Council on June 1. "We are already stretching out our current employees very thin during the year with what we have."

Golba says the DPW is responsible for more than 400 acres of open space in town.

There are other increases in the fiscal 2016 budget due to the 1.5 percent raises that are contractually obligated following negotiations last year. In all, the proposed DPW budget will rise from \$4.86 million to \$5.19 million, an increase of 6.65 percent.

Council President Christopher Johnson queried Golba and

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CITY COUNCIL

Blight sites set to be fined

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The owners of 22 "blight" properties in town could face daily fines under a proposed ordinance which the City Council supported unanimously this week, even as the council president doubted the need for it.

Some of the blight is new — including several homes that have fallen into neglect after becoming vacant — and some properties on the list have been eyesores for years, like Games & Lanes, or decades, like Caesar's. What they have in common is that town officials in the Health Department, planning and community development, and inspection services say they don't have the tools to force the current owners to clean them up.

"We have very little cooperation with the people or organizations that own these properties," said Code Enforcement Officer Michael Theroux. "We have been trying to get many of these properties cleaned up, but many of them are either abandoned or they are owned by banks that are not in the

area."

While banks have taken over several of the properties because they are abandoned, many of the land records have not reflected those changes, making it difficult to tell who is responsible for each property's condition.

Some councilors, including Council President Christopher Johnson, said there are enough laws to address blight on the books already, but even those who agreed with Johnson said they hoped approving the ordinance would provide Theroux and other town officials with more tools to deal with blight properties.

Under the current law, the town would have to take each property owner to court to order them to maintain their properties. Councilor Paul Cavallo said a system of fines makes more sense.

"When we had a meeting to go over blight properties, it was eye-opening," said Cavallo. "This ordinance is a start."

Mayor Richard Cohen said while there are anti-blight laws on the books, the laws are dated and

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657-659 Mill St.



1178 Suffield St.



653 Mill St.



1186 Main St.

What do Agawam's blighted properties look like? More on pages 10-11.



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Correction

Three photo captions, on pages 1, 6 and 10 of last week's *Agawam Advertiser News*, misidentified the parent organization of the color guard and Honor Guard Firing Detail that participated in the Memorial Day parade and ceremony on May 25. The correct organization is American Legion Post 185 of Feeding Hills.

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Junior Women honored



At the recent GFWC State Conference, several Agawam Junior Women's Club members were recognized for their volunteer work. Above, from left, are Donna Shibley, Mary O'Connell, Theresa Conklin, Janine Iacolo, Jocelyn Wildman and Alexis Simmons. Also, AJWC member Janine Iacolo, at left, was awarded the state GFWC Marilyn Perry Leadership Award for her work organizing the Agawam Relay for Life. SUBMITTED PHOTOS



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YMCA to host Mohegan Sun trip

The Agawam YMCA will host a bus trip to Mohegan Sun the third Monday of each month, with the exception of December. This month's trip is scheduled for June 15. The bus will leave the YMCA parking lot at 8 a.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and include a \$15 meal ticket and two \$10 big wheel tickets. To reserve a seat, call Helen at 413-786-8685.

Community Grange to host annual supper

Celebrating its 90th anniversary, Community Grange 382 of Feeding Hills will hold its 36th annual Strawberry Supper on Wednesday, June 17. The supper will be held at the Grange Hall, 47 N. West St., Feeding Hills, with continuous servings from 4 to 7 p.m.

Served family-style, the menu will consist of ham, turkey, homemade potato salad and cole slaw, baked beans, rolls, pickles, strawberry shortcake with whipped cream and a choice of beverages.

Donation is \$11 for adults and \$5.50 for children under 12.

Reservations are suggested and may be made by calling Pauline at 413-789-2061. The public is invited to attend.

Council wants more spent on sidewalks

Approved capital plan includes DPW equipment now, building projects in future years

By Gregory A. Scibelli

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Agawam's "wish list" was approved by the City Council on Monday night following a public hearing where there was little opposition to the plan submitted by Mayor Richard Cohen.

The Capital Improvement Program is a five-year plan of one-time purchases that is put forward by the mayor each year.

Among the work included in the program for the next fiscal year is \$30,000 for sidewalk rehabilitation and \$175,000 for street and infrastructure improvements throughout the city. This area was the only one criticized by members of the City Council.

Councilor Robert Rossi said with the current state of the town's infrastructure, the amount of money being proposed is just not enough.

"I'm really not happy with the \$30,000 for sidewalks," said Rossi. "It's just not enough. I feel like we spend more money on equipment and we need to put more money into services like infrastructure."

Despite making a recommendation of the capital plan to the full council, Finance Subcommittee Chairman Councilor Joseph

Mineo said the amounts were discussed and that issue was brought up. He reminded his fellow councilors that the plan was merely a "wish list" and all proposals and projects must come back before the City Council for approval.

Cohen said more than \$287,000 is being proposed for Department of Public Works equipment. Some DPW trucks are getting near the end of their life cycle, the mayor said.

The rest of the proposed capital items are under \$50,000. They include a Fire Department staff vehicle, Fire Department communications improvements, a utility-terrain vehicle for emergency services, a building maintenance vehicle, and radio upgrades for emergency management.

Cohen is proposing similar amounts for sidewalks and street infrastructure in 2017. There is \$300,000 being proposed for DPW equipment, compared with \$200,000 for street and infrastructure and \$30,000 for sidewalks.

The mayor may seek a special hazards vehicle at a cost of \$200,000 for the Fire Department, and \$150,000 is estimated for an emergency management system for Robinson Park School.

Cohen also submitted a bonding wish

list for 2017, which would include a new early childhood center at a cost of more than \$8 million. Cohen is seeking a feasibility study this year.

There are possible water projects proposed with mains for Main, Suffield, Silver and South streets totaling about \$850,000. Those projects could be bonded and debt service paid through the water enterprise fund.

The 2018 borrowing proposal include more water main constructions for Main and Suffield streets and the replacement of two fire engines, totaling \$1 million.

The 2019 borrowing proposal includes \$15 million for renovations for Agawam High School. The town has tried in vain to gain consideration from the Massachusetts School Building Authority for state funding of a new high school or a renovation project.

Cohen has included a new town hall in the capital borrowing plan for two years in a row. A new town hall was proposed for fiscal 2019 during last year's budget deliberations, and is included in the proposed fiscal 2020 borrowing this year.

No members of the public spoke out for or against the capital plan. The council approved the plan unanimously.

'100 Years of Bridal Fashions' set for June 7

SPRINGFIELD — The St. George Cathedral Philoptochos Society will host a bridal event, "Sharing 100 Years of Bridal Fashions and Inspiring Future Memories," which will take place Sunday, June 7, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the St. George Greek Cultural Center, 22 St. George Road.

Highlights include a bridal dress from 1910, the story of a bridal dress worn by different brides over 100 times, a family's display of four generations of bridal dresses, and a handmade dress lovingly made for

a daughter. Additionally, there will be over 40 other dresses displayed and modeled, and other wedding memorabilia on display that span a century, with every decade represented.

The venue will be presented as a wedding reception that will include appetizers, wedding cake, champagne and live music. Get the pulse on what's current, with wedding gowns from Bridal Corner in Chicopee displayed and modeled, the Flower Stop from West Springfield displaying wedding

bouquets, and other area vendors giving the afternoon just the right touch of today's bridal ambiance.

Tickets are \$25 with proceeds going to the St. George Philoptochos for its philanthropic outreach and scholarships. For more information or to purchase a ticket, call Susan Alvanos at 413-789-0157, or email Denise Reed at dreed51@comcast.net. The public is invited.

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Opinion

OUR VIEW

Small-scale blight a big bank concern

Games & Lanes remains the granddaddy of all blighted properties in Agawam, but on the list prepared last month by the town's Inspectional Services Department, it's an outlier.

Most of the town's eyesores, it seems, are single-family or duplex homes.

In part, that's an accident of history; the industrial development of Agawam is a relatively modern phenomenon, so the town hasn't had as much time to accumulate abandoned mills as bigger cities like Westfield, Holyoke, Chicopee and Springfield.

It's also a credit to the local business community and the local economy: Our corporate neighbors take good care of their properties. Agawam is an attractive enough town for businesses that they stick around and keep our industrial properties occupied and in use.

Apart from the one city-block-sized cleanup project on Walnut Street Extension, blight in Agawam exists in house-lot pockets, spread across town. On the one hand, this means that eyesores may be bringing down the property values in dozens of different neighborhoods, but on the other hand, it means that at least the town faces a series of manageable problems, rather than entire streets gone to seed.

At first glance, the City Council's solution to this widespread but small-scale problem — daily fines for owners of neglected homes — may seem a bit heavy-handed. Granted, it doesn't cost a lot of money to cut the grass, but some homeowners may legitimately lack the wherewithal to fix a broken porch, repair the front windows, re-paint or re-side the house. Slapping hundreds of dollars of fines on them may not help.

But in the main, the blight houses in Agawam aren't owner-occupied homes. Most people who live in a property, even as renters, will try at least to perform the bare minimum maintenance to stop their home from becoming an eyesore. After all, it's their home — they live there, they see it every day, their friends and family and neighbors judge them on it.

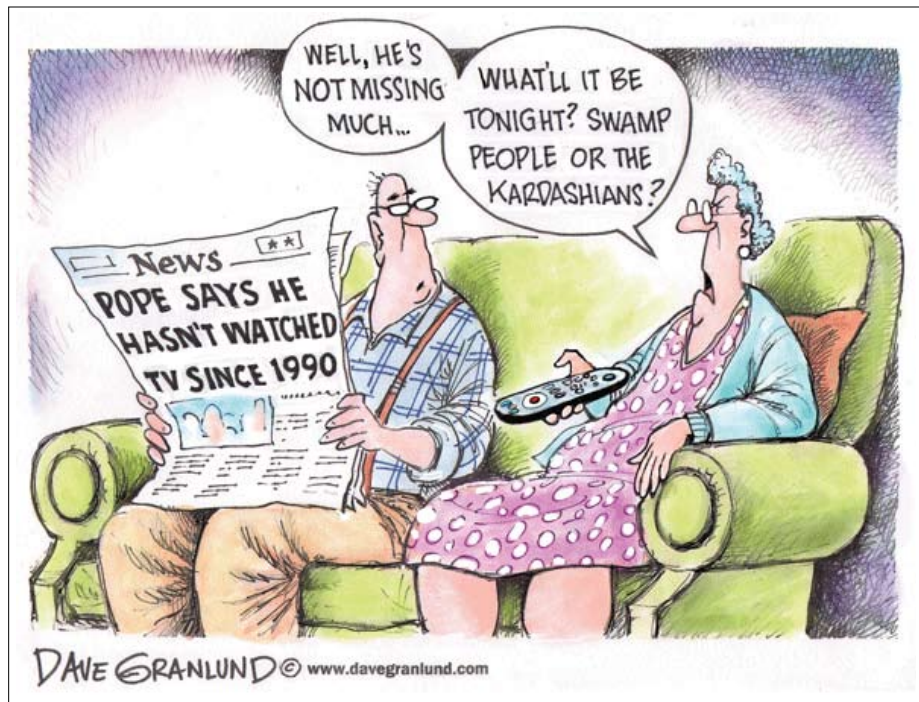
Most of the blight houses are owned by banks, even though land records still list the former occupants' names. These homes were probably maintained by their occupants until they left — perhaps because they abandoned a mortgage they could no longer afford, or because they were evicted for non-payment.

Now the new owner feels no pressure to "keep up appearances." A large, out-of-state bank or mortgage company isn't going to be judged by its shareholders on whether it's been neglecting to mow the lawn on Shoemaker Lane, or whether there's trash all over its duplex on Meadow Street. With a large corporation, fines that pile up at a rate of \$150 per day might be the only way to get their attention.

After all, there were two signatures on the mortgage documents. It's not only the homeowners who took responsibility for their new house; the bank, and the company that bought a reassigned mortgage from the bank, also takes on that burden in exchange for its profits. Sometimes it's a good bet, the family stays in the home for 30 years and pays its interest and principal every 30 days. Sometimes it's a bad bet, and the bank has to shell out for lawyers, auctioneers and — yes, every now and then — a lawn service or cleanout company.

Agawam has nowhere near the scale of challenges facing the abandoned neighborhoods of Detroit, or the shuttered mills of many New England cities. For the most part, Agawam residents and local businesses are doing a good job maintaining their properties. Despite all the talk about eyesores in the past month, it's not an epidemic here — but it's worth the council's time to give the town administration a way of putting pressure on the few landowners who aren't living up to their responsibilities.

What do you think? Send your letter to the editor to aan@turley.com.



Letter to the Editor

No such thing as 'Common Core Math'

As both a teacher and parent, I read the article about the Common Core debate in your May 28 issue with great interest. While I agree with a number of the points made by both gentlemen mentioned in the article, I do feel the need to respond to Mr. Gass's comment that, "everyday folks are unable to do basic arithmetic with their children."

I sympathize with the frustration parents sometimes feel when at a loss to help their children with their math homework, however, I think that frustration ultimately stems from the fact that many of us came from a generation where we were taught math via rote memorization, without gaining any understanding of the underlying number sense or WHY the math actually works the way it does; a situation that many current math programs are trying to

address.

Social and news media outlets were ablaze for a time with stories of frustration and outrage over the methods of "Common Core Math." What gets lost in the debate is the fact that there is no such thing as "Common Core Math." The standards do not dictate any specific methodology, only what students should be able to do at a given point in time. The methodology comes from curriculum designers and in fact, many of the methods being taught are based on research that shows they are effective at helping students gain a deeper understanding of mathematics and strengthen their problem solving skills (which, let's face it, is what math is all about). These strategies are in use by many of the same countries that continually out-

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JAY SPEAKS

Clean rooms over time

This past weekend I went to a family event in Melrose, a suburb of Boston. It was a celebration of a girl cousin's graduation from a religious program. After receiving her diploma, and some of the gifts accompanying it, the parents were offered an opportunity to congratulate her.

Lori (her mother) spoke glowingly about how this was a big step toward maturity; that it set an example of how far she can go in life; that nothing was unattainable if she set her mind to it; and concluded with a hug and a kiss.

Then Bruce, the father, got up to speak. Everyone in the congregation was psyched. They expected pearls of wisdom to come from his lips ... and they were not disappointed.

He said, "Sunny, I must tell you how proud I am of your achievements so far, however I hope that by the time you reach the age of 21 (eight more years), I'll be able to see the floor in your room!"

The room burst into applause that lasted for at least five minutes. I looked around and noted who was applauding. It was all parents. All kids took out their cell phones and were rapidly texting to one another about their room appearances.

Whenever we went to visit our children, we rarely were able to look into our grandkids' rooms, because they kept the rooms closed and there would be some note on the door to KEEP OUT! When they visited with us, they might make a mess of their bedroom, but they had to make their bed and clean the room before coming to the table. Grandparents can get away with a lot on vacation.

Kitty would give me an update once in a while: "You can't believe what a mess her

room is. I couldn't see the floor." So when Bruce gave us that one-liner, I said to myself, "Maybe this is a Berger condition." The applause by all parents gave me a bit of confidence that it was not a Berger phenomenon.

As our three kids grew up, our lives were so hectic and busy, I don't think I paid much attention to their rooms, with one exception. Our youngest took up the trumpet and somehow, he would shake the spit valve onto the floor and being a wooden floor, it got pretty messy.

All of that changed with the arrival of our Swedish exchange student, Mikael. From the first week, his room was a perpetual mess. Everything got dumped on the floor. I recall one day when we couldn't push our way into the room, it was so blocked. At that point, after getting things cleared a bit, I got a large piece of cardboard and wrote on it in Magic Marker, "This room now stands condemned as unfit for human habitation," and signed it as The Springfield Bedroom Cleanliness Commission.

Perhaps ten years later, we visited Mikael in Stockholm, Sweden, and he took us to his penthouse in the city. There, in an honored place in his den, hangs the sign that we wrote out many years earlier. "This room now stands condemned as unfit for human habitation!"

On our way out, we peeked into his bedroom ... it was neat as a pin!

Maybe Bruce can use that with his daughter, so that he does not have to wait eight years to get a result.

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New nonprofit brings cancer support to its clients

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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Survivor Journeys is a new nonprofit organization that is working to bring together numerous resources for those that are suffering from cancer.

One of the co-founders of the group is Mary Ann Paleologopoulos, a therapist who specializes in helping individuals and families that are affected by a cancer diagnosis.

She and a colleague, Dr. Jay Burton of the Springfield Medical Association Primary Care Cancer Survivorship Program, found there was a need to bridge the gap between different types of resources and make them accessible under one window.

"If we identify a need, we try to establish a service or a support group to fit that need," said Paleologopoulos.

She said Survivor Journeys is exceptional in that it brings many of its services to its clients, rather than the other way around.

"We are all over the region," said Paleologopoulos. "Cancer sufferers often have to travel long distances to receive treat-

ments and other services. We try to bring as many services we can to the person."

According to the organization's website, Survivor Journeys believes that "no patient, caregiver, or loved one must travel this [cancer] journey alone."

So far, Paleologopoulos says the services extend as far north as South Hadley and as far south as Enfield, Conn.

"We are out everywhere," said Paleologopoulos. "Our organization has only been going for about a year. But we have received a great response and we are expanding all the time and reaching out to more people."

The website defines the organization as a community-based support network of physicians, behavioral health specialists, treatment providers, community leaders, and cancer survivors.

There are also a number of other resources being made available through the organization, such as outreach, survivor subsidies, educational programs and scholarships, and caregiver support.

Paleologopoulos said she has been so pleased with the outpouring of support at the numerous fundraisers held to benefit

the organization, and is pleased to be able to offer the Survivor Journey's resources to her patients.

Among the many resources Paleologopoulos tries to share with people are the success stories, the journey to a survival. Kristel Chouinard shared her entire journey on the website from the original diagnosis through surgeries and treatments. Her biggest message is that cancer changed her life and needs a cure.

"Cancer does not care who it attack and that nobody is safe from this disease until we find a cure," Chouinard says.

Paleologopoulos says there have been a lot of local fundraisers held to benefit the organization during the past year. There have also been bus trips.

The next fundraiser is scheduled for Oct. 30 at Storowton Tavern in West Springfield. She also reminds people this Sunday is National Cancer Survivor Day.

For more information about volunteering or to learn about the resources offered by Survivor Journeys, visit www.survivor-journeys.org or call 413-789-0200.

GUEST COLUMN

The dirt roads of childhood

By Ann Favreau

The dirt road in front of 395 Suffield St. was the boundary of my life as a child. Some of my earliest memories revolve around this locale. My parents moved to Agawam from the adjacent city of Springfield in 1940. They wanted to be in the country. My father and his stepfather, who was a carpenter, proceeded to build our house. The lot was typical of most of the homes on this rural country road. It had room for a garage and space for a large garden and chicken coop. Yes, we raised our own chickens and my best friend across the yard had goats. Our home garden was one of the biggest on the street.

My mother and I took daily walks on the packed dirt of Suffield Street, pushing my sister in her carriage as we went to visit the neighbor ladies. When my sister learned to run, we would jump off our front porch and fly around the large expanse of grass playing airplane as my mother watched, making sure that we did not stray into the road.

The next street over to the right of our house was Center Street, where my best friend Beverly lived. There I honed my skills with hopscotch, jacks and pickup sticks. I can still remember the day we played Snow White in the field between our two houses. I lay down in the grass and pretended to be the beautiful sleeping princess. In a few moments I screamed and ran home because my legs were covered with biting ants. On rainy days we made clothes for our paper dolls from old wrapping paper while we listened to music on her record player.

Nearby lived Russell, the bad boy of the neighborhood, who climbed up on his father's chicken coop and peed in a coffee can.

In a friend's large backyard we laid out a ball field with old towels for bases. Here I learned to pitch, but never was good at bat. The dirt roads were safe areas where I roamed on foot or by bicycle between mealtimes.

As I grew, Suffield Street became the passageway to new adventures. I walked with friends to the bus stop to go to elementary school. The water tower across the street was the site of sledding and seemed so tall from the perspective of a little child. Our cellar became an amateur theater where we put on musicals and plays. My mother supported our show business efforts by making popcorn for the audience. In fifth grade a boy walked me home and wrote our initials in the dirt. A corner store held the magic of penny candy and the embarrassment of having to buy sanitary products for my mother. Our mailbox on the side of the road became a monthly treasure chest that held a children's magazine just for me.

The farthest I ever walked alone on Suffield Street was the three mile trips north to Carpenali's Farm Stand to buy a box of macaroni for my Aunt Rose and south, down the hill, to catch a bus to Springfield. For the most part, Suffield Street provided happy memories, but there were some scary and unpleasant ones as well.

The lady next door made our outdoor life obnoxious when she made soap several times a year. She placed all her old fat and drippings into a big kettle on a wood fire in the backyard. The stench of the boiling mixture of fat and lye was awful, and we held our noses if we had to go out. The process took all day and we used every excuse we could think of to avoid playing in the backyard on soap making day.

All the homes on Suffield Street looked

menacing during wartime when blackout curtains were drawn to block the light. The dirt road and surrounding area took on an ominous tone on Halloween night. Trick or treating without your parents was the rule of the day. Walking down some of the new side streets where my friends and I did not know the occupants gave us goose bumps beneath our home made costumes. However, candy greed overcame our misgivings and we continued on.

I had several terrifying experiences on Suffield Street. As a child I watched in horror as my friend's house burned. I can still recall the fierceness and heat of the flames, the sound of falling walls, the wails of the family, and the shouts of the volunteer firemen as they attempted without success to save the house. My own backyard was a frightful scene as I encountered a huge black snake in the chicken yard. Reacting to my screams, my mother ran out of the house, grabbed a hoe and killed it as I watched in terror and admiration.

As I look back at these childhood scenes, they appear as a small gallery of life in a rural area. They began on a country road. Just as its surface was widened and blacktopped, so my world grew from the dirt roads of childhood to the challenging byways of adult experiences which took me away from Suffield Street to the faraway lanes of the world.

Ann (Zucco) Favreau grew up in Agawam and taught at Granger School for 27 years, later serving as district curriculum coordinator in the mid-1990s. She now lives in Venice, Fla. This column was originally published online in Yesterday's Magazine, in 2012.

Gala garden benefit tickets available

WESTFIELD — The 17th annual Grandmother's Garden Tour will showcase seven private gardens open to the public Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28.

The public is invited to Honey Pot Road in Southwick on Friday, June 26, from 6 to 8 p.m. for the annual Garden Party and Silent Auction, for which tickets must be purchased in advance. Events include music by Curran & Company and guests will stroll through perennial borders and gentle woodlands enjoying friendship, conversation and gourmet summer refreshment.

For more information or tickets for either of these events, contact Sandy or Bob Watkins at 413-569-5562 or Bernadette Toomey at 413-562-9494.

School health records to be destroyed

Agawam public school health records for former students that either graduated or left the school system between September 2006 and June 2010 will be destroyed this year, as permitted by the commonwealth of Massachusetts. Those wishing a copy of their health records must contact the nurse within the school they last attended before June 24.

'The Voice' contestant to perform free concert

Former "The Voice" contestant Noah Lis will perform at Heritage Woods Senior Living on Thursday, June 18, from 6 to 8 p.m. at 462 Main St., Agawam. Admission is free and refreshments will be served. Attendees are asked to bring a lawn chair or blanket.

For more information, call 413-789-8332 or email nicole.wallace@genesishcc.com.

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perform the United States on standardized assessments.

Learners of all types are more likely to find a path to success if offered a choice of multiple strategies. These new methods may be different, but that doesn't necessarily make them bad, especially if it means our children will group up with a confidence in their mathematic ability that many of us never had the opportunity to develop.

Chris Frasier
Agawam

Summer reading program launches with book signing

The Agawam Public Library will hold READLocal, the kick-off event to the Adult Summer Reading Program, Monday, June 22, at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet and greet 11 local authors, enjoy refreshments provided by Partner's Catering, and sign up for upcoming summer events.

The following authors will be in attendance: Liz Delton, Michael Dobbs, Michael Fisher, Angela Grout, Matt Herring, Jacqueline Lynch, Isabel Marcheselli, Sandi Mi-

chon, Bill Moore, Lyric Taylor and Patricia Williford. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

This event is part of the Adult Summer Reading Program and is sponsored by the Agawam Center Library Association, the Agawam and Massachusetts Cultural Councils, the Boston Bruins, the Massachusetts Library System and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and CSLP. No registration is necessary.

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SCAFURI ■ from page 1

Before the fundraiser, Scafuri flew into Barnes Airport in Westfield at about noon on May 27. Prior to his arrival, Scafuri's parents had approached Mayor Richard Cohen about finding a way to welcome their son home. Cohen delivered.

"I had a discussion with our police chief and fire chief and we decided that we wanted to give him a special welcome to show our support for him," said Cohen. "He [Scafuri] has suffered greatly."

With that, a pair of fire trucks, police cruisers, and ambulances were present at the Veterans Memorial Bridge, on the Westfield River at the West Springfield-Agawam border. In addition, along the bridge and the roughly one-mile route to the Scafuri home was several more supporters, from children to adults, holding signs and cheering as Scafuri, in the front seat of a police SUV, made his way over the bridge.

When he arrived home, he was surrounded by neighbors and more supporters as he was removed from the car. He briefly acknowledged the supporters before going inside.

Gensheimer said the support for Scafuri has been overwhelming and he and the family are very thankful for the support.

"The amount of people that have made donations and well wishes have just been so wonderful," said Gensheimer.

Cohen, who was among those who attended the fundraiser, said the number of people that turned out despite the poor weather was great.

"It was packed there," said Cohen. "It



Family and friends of Alex Scafuri, an Agawam teen who was severely injured after being struck by a car, cheer at the Veterans Memorial Bridge last Wednesday as Scafuri returned home after receiving treatment at a special facility in Atlanta, Ga. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

was really heartwarming to see members of the community come together and to see so many contributions to the family."

Scafuri is still suffering from paralysis, although Gensheimer says he is starting to gain more hand motion. He also is able to speak a little more since having a trachea tube removed. There is still no specific prognosis for Scafuri, but he was scheduled to return to Atlanta to receive more treat-

ment for his injuries.

He will remain in Atlanta for another four to six weeks before his next step has decided.

Numerous fundraisers and donations have been made by outside organizations and groups. Most recently, money was donated by the Newton South High School boys volleyball team. Newton South was the team that defeated Agawam in last

year's state finals.

Gensheimer said the family is considering softball and golf tournaments as possible future fundraisers.

She and the Scafuri family also wanted to thank the numerous businesses and individuals that made contributions to the fundraiser last Sunday.

BUDGET ■ from page 1

Mayor Richard Cohen about why the fuel and oil line items were level-funded with last year's total, considering the drop in fuel prices during the past year.

Both Golba and Cohen agreed it was prudent to keep the line item level-funded.

"We don't know if the price will change at all in the near future," said Cohen. "The prices dropped and now they have gone back up."

Johnson also asked Golba if he was thinking of raising sewer rates sometime during the next fiscal year. The water rate is fixed for the next five years.

Golba responded saying it is being considered because there are number of projects the DPW's Wastewater Department is seeking to do during the next year.

"We have underground storage tanks, pump stations, and the implementation of the SCADA data system we are looking to do in the next year," said Golba. "So we are looking at a rate increase."

The Agawam Fire Department, which also presented its proposed budget to the City Council, does plan major increases for fiscal 2016, the year that begins July

1. There was a \$20,000 increase in overtime due to the number of injuries and sick-time leaves within the department. Chief Alan Sirois said the overtime budget has stayed the same for the past two years, and the line item needs to be increased due to the raises firefighters have received during the past two years.

The Emergency Management, Inspection Services, Council on Aging and Information Technology departments were also discussed, as well as the building maintenance budget.

An additional custodian is being requested in next year's budget because of the addition of bathrooms at School Street Park and the upcoming athletic facility project. The custodian position would also serve the Agawam public schools.

The council will hold a public hearing on the town budget at its meeting Monday, June 15. After Agawam residents are heard, councilors will discuss the budget and may take a vote. That meeting is the final council meeting planned in the current fiscal year. By law, the budget must be adopted by June 30.



Fencing, paved paths and play equipment have been installed at the Dog Park, which is expected to open later this year near Shea Field. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY



The second phase of School Street Park is nearly complete. Its grand opening is slated for July.

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Agawam Senior Center

Lunch Menu

Monday, June 8: French toast, sausage, muffins, orange juice, cantaloupe.
Tuesday, June 9: Sweet and sour chicken over rice, green beans, diced pears.
Wednesday, June 10: Swedish meatballs over egg noodles, buttered corn, baked good.
Thursday, June 11: Chef salad (ham, turkey, cheese, egg, lettuce, tomato, cucumber), garlic breadstick, pudding.
Friday, June 12: Baked fish, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, applesauce.

Calendar of Events

Monday, June 8: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9 a.m., Painting Club; 9:30 a.m., Line Dancing; 11:30 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 1 p.m., Bingo, Financial Seminar with Christopher Casale; 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.
Tuesday, June 9: 9 a.m., Shuffleboard at St. John's (Leonard Street), Knitting Class, Sew-

ing Class, SHINE (by appt.); 10 a.m., Computer Club Meets; 12:30 p.m., Ladies Billiards, Mah Jongg, Movie ("Annie 2014"); 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginner Line Dance; 6:30 p.m., Evening Sewing Class, Agawam Garden Club Tours.

Wednesday, June 10: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 10 a.m., Friends Meeting; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Ballroom Lessons, Scrabble; 1:30 p.m., Golden Agers Chapter 1 Meeting; 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Thursday, June 11: Chapter 2 Trip to Newport Playhouse; 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch; 2 p.m., Melody Band Practice; 6 p.m., Western Mass. Genealogy Board Meets; 6:30 p.m., Pitch, Evening Line Dancing.

Friday, June 12: 8 a.m., Yoga; 9:15 a.m., All Media Art; 10 a.m., Tai Chi; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Senior Center Friends dinner

The Friends of the Agawam Senior Center will host a barbeque chicken dinner Tuesday, June 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. and is open to the public. The menu will include potato salad, macaroni salad, corn on the cob and strawberry shortcake. Tickets for adults are \$10 when purchased in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets for children under 10 are \$5.

Class of '64 reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1964 will hold its 51st class reunion and barbeque on Sunday, June 7, at 2 p.m. at Crestview Country Club, 281 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam. Classmates who plan to play golf will meet at 10 a.m. For more information and reservations, email agawam64@aol.com, visit www.agawam64.com, or call Rosemary Alajanian Sandlin at 413-530-0269.

Registration open for summer camp

WEST SPRINGFIELD — The Boys and Girls Club of West Springfield will offer nine weeks of summer camp, June 22 to Aug. 21, for children ages 6 to 13 (six-year-olds must have completed kindergarten). Camp weeks run Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and include a wide variety of activities, such as recreational swimming, arts and crafts, gym time, group games, science, computers, games room, outdoor play, field trips, special events and more. No day or week is ever the same. The cost is \$150 per week, per child. Camp fees include daily coverage from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., all special events and field trips, daily breakfast, lunch and a camper T-shirt. Family discounts are available and the club accepts New England Farm Workers Vouchers.

Registration will be accepted at the club Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Applications and camp guides can be downloaded at www.wsbclub.org. Early registration is encouraged, as space each week is limited. A one-time \$25 registration fee per family and a non-refundable, non-transferable \$50 deposit per week, per child is due at the time of registration. The remaining camp fee balance is due on a weekly basis the Friday before the child's camp week. The \$25 registration fee may be waived for those that pay in full at the time of registration. Campers will receive a camp T-shirt to wear on field trips at the time of registration. For more information, contact Priscilla Reyes, camp director, at 413-736-1831 or email preyes@wsbclub.com.

New members welcome at Cultural Council meeting

The Agawam Cultural Council will meet Tuesday, June 16, at 7 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. The meeting is open to the public. An opportunity exists with the ACC for anyone with an interest in providing diverse cultural events for the town. This all-volunteer organization, appointed

by the mayor and funded, in part, by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, is looking for new members. The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and sciences, to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.

YMCA names interim chief exec.

SPRINGFIELD — The YMCA of Greater Springfield's board of directors last week named Dexter Johnson as interim CEO. Johnson, a Longmeadow resident, is the current senior vice president and chief operating officer of the Springfield Y. He has worked for the YMCA for more than 20 years, including work at the Chicago-based YMCA of the USA as well as tenures as district director and executive director at the Tampa Metropolitan Area YMCA in Florida. "We are fortunate to have access to a skilled executive with over two decades of experience in YMCA management right here on our staff to serve in the interim position," said Jeffrey Poindexter, chairman of the Springfield Y board, in a letter to YMCA staff and partners. "From first-hand experience, I know Dexter has the ability to lead the organization during this period of transition." The move came a few days after the an-

nouncement that Kirk Ray Smith, the Y's president and CEO, was stepping down to take an executive position with the YMCA in Florida, where he, too, had also worked previously. Poindexter said his board will establish a search committee to find a replacement. He said Smith would continue to be available to the board to assist with the transition through July 3. Johnson received his higher education locally, having earned a bachelor of science in human services and a master of science in organizational management and leadership from Springfield College. He is also an adjunct faculty member for the School of Human Services of Springfield College. The YMCA of Greater Springfield is the nation's second-oldest YMCA, founded in 1852, with branches and outreach centers in Agawam, Springfield, West Springfield and Wilbraham.

Call to artists for Aug. 1 festival

WEST SPRINGFIELD — The West Springfield Arts Council, in partnership with the West Springfield Park and Recreation Department, will host the third annual Fine Arts and Crafts Festival on Saturday, Aug. 1. The event will take place on the Town Common on Park Street. Artists working in the area of fine art, photography and crafts are encouraged to submit applications with samples of their work for this annual, juried show. Applications may be picked up at J.H.

Miller Framing & Gallery, 86 Elm St.; the Park and Recreation Department on the second floor of the Municipal Office Building, 26 Central St.; and the town library's temporary location at 511 Main St.. Applications may also be downloaded from www.townofwestspringfield.org. The deadline for submitting applications is June 30. For more information, contact Rita Petersen at 413-732-8630. The rain date for the festival is Aug. 2.

Public Safety

FIRE LOG

The Agawam Fire Department responded to 64 EMS calls for May 26 to June 1, and the following emergency response calls.

On May 26 at 1:50 a.m., the department responded to Witheridge St. for smoke detector activation due to malfunction.
On May 26 at 10:48 a.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for lockout.
On May 26 at 7:07 p.m., the department responded to Main Street for lockout.
On May 27 at 4:39 p.m., the department responded to Northwood Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.
On May 30 at 2:25 a.m., the department responded to North West Street for motor vehicle accident with no injuries.
On May 30 at 7:46 p.m., the department responded to Butterwood Road for detector activation, no fire – unintentional.
On May 30 at 9:31 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for citizen complaint.
On May 30 at 9:59 p.m., the department responded to South Westfield Street for fire, other.
On May 31 at 10:39 a.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for public service assistance, other.

On May 31 at 2:54 p.m., the department responded to South Bridge Drive for good intent call, other.
On June 1 at 4:58 p.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for smoke scare, odor of smoke.
On June 1 at 6:14 p.m., the department responded to Sunnyslope Avenue for person in distress, other.
On June 1 at 9:19 p.m., the department responded to Meadowbrook Manor for lockout.

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 340 calls for service from May 26 to June 1. The department made 2 arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Sunday, May 31
Kellie M. Laroche, 20, of 33 Norman Terrace, Apt. 24, Agawam was arrested on a charge of domestic assault and battery
Alexis L. Boettcher, 19, of 15 North Road, Montgomery, was arrested on a charge of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.



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Junior High bands take top honors

The Agawam Junior High School music department has announced that the school's seventh- and eighth-grade bands both earned gold medal ratings at the 2015 Great East Music Festival. The school hosted the festival on May 29. Bands and choruses from all around the New England region traveled to Agawam to perform for adjudicators and a most appreciative audience.

Under the direction of Kenneth J. Michna Jr., the AJHS bands gave exciting performances of "March of the Irish Guard," "Suite from Bohemia," "Colonel Bogey," "Climb the Cast Walls!" and "The Machine Awakes."

In addition to the gold medal performances, the bands were awarded the highest scores of all bands in attendance that day.

CAMPUS NOTES...

College of the Holy Cross: Robert E. Carrier and Matthew C. Bassette, of Agawam; and Nicholas R. Cormier, of Feeding Hills, graduated at ceremonies held May 22.

Horace Smith Fund Scholarship: Agawam High School graduate Allison Schwarz was awarded a \$10,000 scholarship over four years.

Johnson State College: Ashley Ripolone, of Agawam, graduated at ceremonies held May 16.

Springfield College: Leah Dominique and Courtney Rivest, of Agawam; and Colleen Keeley, David Farwell, Christopher Rumplik, Anthony Lucci, Edrine Olowo, Nicholas Vecchiarelli and Kali Thomas, of Feeding Hills, were named to the spring semester dean's list.

Wilbraham & Monson Academy: Sophia M. Gourley, of Feeding Hills, and Benjamin Ochola, of Agawam, graduated at ceremonies held Memorial Day weekend.

School Lunch

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL

The Agawam High School lunch menu is posted on the school's website.

AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, June 8: Chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, Tater Tots, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

Tuesday, June 9: Ham and cheese sandwich, broccoli salad, low-fat potato chips, fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, June 10: Ziti with meatballs, whole-wheat breadstick, dark green vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

Thursday, June 11: Chicken sandwich on whole-wheat roll, lettuce and tomato, baby carrots, low-fat Doritos, fresh and chilled fruit.

Friday, June 12: Stuffed crust cheese pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.

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Monday, June 8: Chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, Tater Tots, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

Tuesday, June 9: Ham and cheese sandwich, broccoli salad, low-fat potato chips, fresh and chilled fruit.

Wednesday, June 10: Ziti with meatballs, whole-wheat breadstick, dark green vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.

Thursday, June 11: Chicken sandwich on whole-wheat roll, lettuce and tomato, baby carrots, low-fat Doritos, fresh and chilled fruit.

Friday, June 12: Stuffed crust cheese pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.

Fishing event open to youth

The fourth annual Bob "Who" Rennell Memorial Agawam Youth Fishing Day will take place Sunday, June 7, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the West Springfield Fish and Game Club, 329 Garden St., Feeding Hills.

Free of charge, this event is open to all Agawam youth 16

and under as well as club members and kids. The day's events will also include free raffles for kids. Food and beverages will be available. Bait will be available at the clubhouse free of charge. No fishing license is required.

For more information, call
the clubhouse at 413-786-5925.

Member critique at artists' meeting

The Agawam Community Artists and Artisans meeting on Tuesday, June 9, at will feature Liz Popolo, who will do a critique of paintings brought in by all attending members. This is in place of a demonstrator. The meeting will take place at 7 p.m. in the community room of the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. Guests are always welcome.



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In the Classroom

AHS jazz musicians to perform at EB's

Three Agawam High School jazz band members will perform at the "Youth Jazz Connection at EB's" on Thursday, June 11, from 6 to 7 p.m. Trumpet player Garrett Diduk, alto and soprano saxophonist Ethan Chan, trombonist Dan Lavoie, along with bassist Gus Kohlin from PVPA will play several numbers at the restaurant at 385 Walnut St., Agawam, alongside West Springfield native and master jazz guitarist Jay Messer.

"The idea for a youth jazz workshop is something I've been thinking about for some time," Messer said. "I've been a professional jazz musician (guitarist) for almost 40 years and it saddens me that as years go by, there's less and less interest in what I've spent my whole life studying and performing, especially among young people. Jazz is one of the only art forms truly born in America. I'm hoping this project, to which I'm donating my time, can spark some excitement in area high school jazz band students and their friends."

Messer has performed Thursday nights for the past eight years at EB's. He approached Ed Borgatti, owner of the family-friendly restaurant, to propose the project.

"Eddie has always been a big sponsor of 'givebacks' and community programs, especially for youth," Messer said. "We thought this was a great way to boost awareness and interest, while teaching students and providing performance opportunities they wouldn't ordinarily have."

The "Youth Jazz Connection at EB's" is open to all local high schools which currently have any type of jazz element as part of their music curriculum. Participating school music directors will select two or three students, who will be taught by and play together with Messer. Schools will be invited back on a regular, rotating basis, providing the young adult musicians maximum education, experience and exposure.

"The students will learn more about the genre, interpreting melody and improvisation," Messer continued. "They'll also get a taste of what it's like to play in front of a small, intimate gathering, which jazz often is. I hope it not only instills in them the desire to continue forward with jazz, but persuade others to join them."

Area high school music directors are encouraged to contact Messer through www.jaymesser.com, or via email at jazzguitarjay@gmail.com, for information on booking Youth Jazz Connection sessions.

Football scholars



Coach Kirk Parker, left, is pictured with Agawam Youth Football Memorial Scholarship winners Daniel Dobek, Paul Taft, Nicholas Blais and Michael Reed. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Agawam High School Counseling bulletin

Summer Legal Institute: This is a free five-day legal immersion program located at Western New England University School of Law from July 6-10. Students who participate will study the legal system and how it works alongside attorney and judge volunteers, analyze selected cases, debate legal issues and participate in both a mock trial and an oral argument, learn what it takes to become a lawyer and observe the action at law firms and courthouses, develop contacts with legal professionals and organizations and gain insight into the college admissions process. Enrollment is limited to 50 students. Students must apply online at http://jtbf.org/index.php?submenu=SpringfieldMA&src=gendocs&ref=MassachusettsMassMutualSL&cateory=Summer_Legal_Institute.

College Fair: Western New England University is hosting the New England Association for College Admission Counseling College Fair on Sunday, Sept. 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. This event will be held in the Alumni Healthful Living Center. It will be preceded by an Admissions and Financial Aid Information Session from 1 to 1:45 p.m.

SAT Summer Institute at Westfield State University: WSU is running this SAT preparatory program from Monday to Thursday, Aug. 3-6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Students will also have access to online review sessions and open office hours throughout September, preparing them for the fall SAT exams. The SAT Summer Institute covers all math and verbal skills needed for success on the SAT exam. Class sessions use real test questions to show just how these skills are tested on the SAT exam. The course will cover quantitative topics and verbal topics, as well as general test-taking matters. The cost is \$499 and includes all required books and materials. An early registration discounted price of \$449 is also available to those registering before June 17. Space is limited. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.westfield.ma.edu/academics/exam-prep/sat-test-prep-course>.

Scholarships: See your counselor or visit the websites below for more information or an application.



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severely limit the action that can be taken by town officials.

“We usually lose when we go to housing court,” said Cohen. “The laws are just too old.”

Councilors James Cichetti and George Bitzas, who worked with the town administration and the Legislative Subcommittee develop the ordinance, said the ordinance has more teeth, including fines for blighted properties starting at \$50 for one day, \$75 for the second, and \$150 for the third and subsequent days.

Blighted properties will be defined as any building structure, parcel of land, or any part of a building or structure that is a separate unit, whether commercial or residential, whether occupied or unoccupied, whether in foreclosure or not, in which the premises are not adequately maintained or secured, have code enforcement citations, are attracting illegal activity, is a fire are health hazard, are vacant, or are a safety threat.

Johnson said he favored the requirement that all vacant buildings be registered with the town.

Monday’s vote was the first of two required readings for the ordinance. Eight votes are required at the June 15 meeting for the ordinance to pass; it would then be reviewed by the state attorney general before taking effect.

Building Inspector Erik Wright said

he and Theroux are happy the ordinance seems on its way to being passed. Wright was hired by the town just two years ago and is still trying to address the blight properties. He hopes the ordinance will give him the ability to do that.

Councilor Gina Letellier said she wants the law enforced across the board with no exceptions. She also says she wants to the law communicated to the people so that residents not only take care of their properties, but also have the knowledge to file complaints with the town.

Complaints are the usual method in which Theroux said he learns of blighted properties. The current list he presented to the City Council includes properties he received complaints about. More continue to come in.

The majority of properties on the current list are single-family houses that are abandoned. The houses have in many cases been boarded up. Only a couple of the homes still appear to be occupied. In those cases, the properties are “not clean,” Theroux said. The lawns are not cared for and there is often junk littering the yard.

Two residents who spoke at Monday’s meeting, including School Committee member Shelley Reed, said they support the ordinance.

“There are a lot of broken down properties in town,” Reed said. “It’s getting out of hand.”



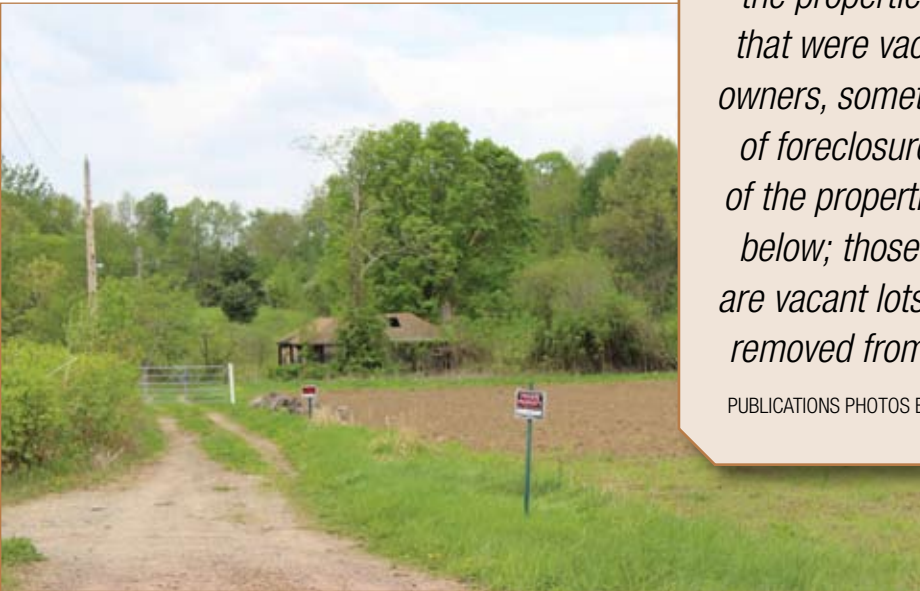
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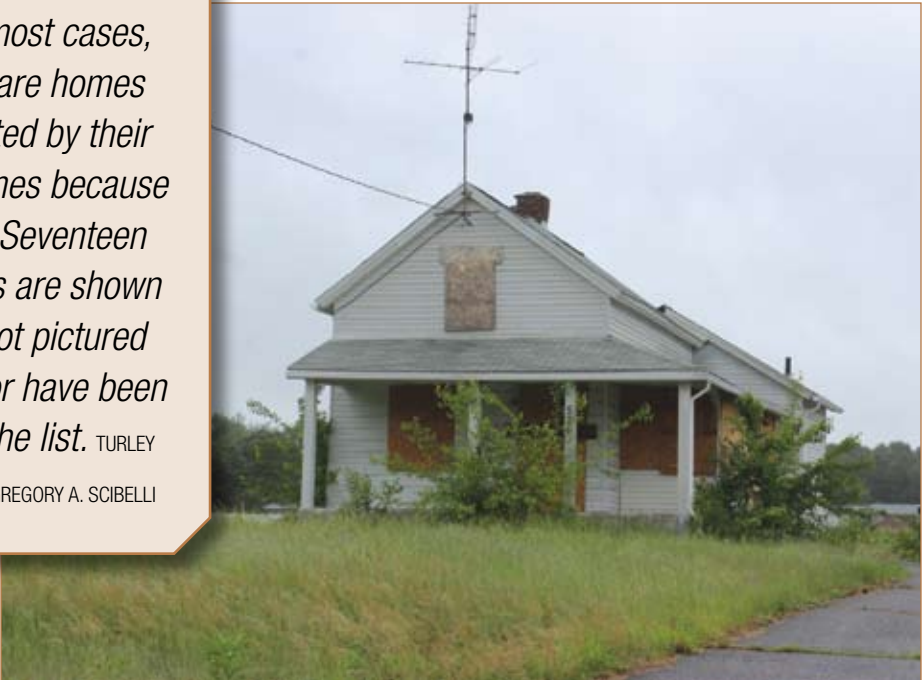
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Agawam’s Inspection Services Department has identified 22 properties around town as “blight.” In most cases, the properties are homes that were vacated by their owners, sometimes because of foreclosure. Seventeen of the properties are shown below; those not pictured are vacant lots or have been removed from the list. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI



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SPORTS

SOFTBALL

Agawam rallies to overcome Terriers

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Before closing out the regular season with another big win, the Agawam softball team avenged an earlier loss when it defeated West Springfield last Wednesday afternoon at home.

Celebrating Senior Day, the two rivals battled to a 1-1 tie later in the game.

West Springfield got a bloop base hit just behind first base on the right field line, which scored two runs and gave the Terriers a 3-1 lead heading into the bottom of the sixth inning.

At the time, it was a tough hit for pitcher Allison Wheeler to allow as Agawam had been having difficulty hitting West Springfield starting pitcher Danielle Metivier.

It started with senior first baseman Becca Uschmann. She lifted a hard single over third base and into left field.

Jess Lingenberg would come up and hit a hard grounder that ate up the shortstop and everyone was safe. With the tying runs now on base, coach Kathy Georgina called on Alyssa Eggleston

to bunt the runners over.

She did successfully, putting runners at second and third with one out.

Ellen Vyce then came to the plate and hit a grounder in the same spot Lingenberg did. Again, the play was botched by the shortstop and a run scored to make it 3-2 West Springfield and runners were at first and third with one out.

Vyce would take second with Sabrina Dubiel at the plate. Dubiel had an excellent at-bat, fouling off several two-strike pitches and even working the count full. After seeing more than 10 pitches, was struck out for the second out of the inning.

That left it up to Katie Grasso. But Metivier took the responsibility away when she uncorked a wild pitch and Lingenberg was able to score the tying run to make it 3-3.

But a tie score was not enough and Grasso worked a walk and stole second to put the go-ahead runs at second and third. Rachel Lapponese would get hit by a pitch to load the bases, bringing up the pitcher, Wheeler.

Wheeler has had an excellent



Pitcher Allison Wheeler fires in the sixth inning against West Springfield. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

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VOLLEYBALL

Agawam moves on to semis

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – For the past few years, the quarterfinals of the Western Massachusetts Division 1 Volleyball Tournament has been an easy game for Agawam before facing the toughest competition in the semifinals and finals.

But No. 6 Athol was not going to go quietly in Monday afternoon's quarterfinal matchup and the Brownies needed a fourth game to set down the Red Raiders 3-1.

Jeff Leclerc and Kris Page had good games for the Brownies. Leclerc had 13 kills and 23 digs. Page turned in 14 kills and 10 digs in the win.

Agawam did not have an easy win until the fourth game of the set as Athol took a brief lead near the end of the first game.

Agawam held a slim advantage for most of the first game before Athol tied the score 13-13.

A couple of bad hits on Agawam's end would give Athol a 16-13 lead before Leclerc scored a couple of aces and Caleb Hodo-vanec had an ace to get the score tied 19-19.

The teams would trade a couple more volleys before Agawam took a 22-21 lead. After a great block and later a kill by Michael Basile, the Brownies outlasted Athol 25-22 in the first game.

Athol also stayed close in the second game, though Agawam was able to pull away near the middle when, they broke away



Jeff Leclerc tries to get a block. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

from a 12-12 tie to take a 19-12 lead thanks to several mistakes and a fast pace of play was too much for the Red Raiders.

Agawam would get a nice spike from Page to finish out the second game with a 25-18 win.

Athol and Agawam battled to a 5-5 tie in the third game before Athol took the lead for good, holding a five-point advantage consistently and holding on for a 25-16 win, igniting some life in

the Athol players and the crowd that came out to cheer the visitors.

In the fourth game, Agawam found its composure and jumped out to a 4-1 lead. They were able to keep the advantage throughout, and would go on to take a dominating 25-14 victory to finish off the Red Raiders.

In the win, Garrett Hollander was very busy as he notched 44

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BASEBALL

Brownies keep Lions out of playoffs

Basile delivers game-winner

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – After struggling through most of the regular season, the Agawam baseball team embraced its role at the end of the season as a “spoiler.”

The Brownies were able to accomplish that on Senior Day last Tuesday afternoon as they walked off with a win against Ludlow, 10-9.

Agawam eliminated Ludlow from playoff contention with the victory.

The two teams traded the lead for most of the game, with Agawam having a 1-0 lead in the second before Ludlow scored three times in the third to take the lead.

Agawam would fall behind later and came-from-behind to score two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to make the score 9-9.

The two teams went to the bottom of the ninth when Dalton Drummond got things going with a single. Troy Gallerani would try

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GIRLS LACROSSE

Lady Brownies hot heading into postseason

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam girls lacrosse team completed another playoff-caliber regular season, finishing the regular season with four straight wins and was scheduled to open the playoffs yesterday afternoon.

Last year, the girls and boys lacrosse tournaments began a new experiment, which changed the regional tournament to include some Central Massachu-

setts teams.

Last year, the Brownies would face Marlborough at home to open the playoffs. In an ironic twist, Marlborough is again the team Agawam has been paired up with and No. 6 Agawam again received the home game.

The two teams were originally scheduled to play on Tuesday afternoon, but rain and poor field conditions caused the game to be postponed and moved to yesterday. Check out next week's

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Sports

Bay State Games Girls West Soccer tryouts

WESTFIELD - Bay States Games 2015 West Region Girls Soccer tryouts for players currently in grades 9-11 will take place on the following dates: June 5, 10, 12, and 15 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Woronoco Field, Old Stage Road (south off Route 202), Westfield.

Please pre-register for tryouts and all information regarding games and coach available at www.baystategames.org.

Correction

In a photo that appeared with the Agawam softball story on page 12 in last week's edition, a player in the photo was misidentified.

The correct player is Rachel Laponese.

We apologize for the error.

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to bunt Drummond to second, but Drummond was thrown out at second.

Gallerani then erased that mistake by stealing second and moving to third base on a wild pitch.

Ludlow would respond by walking the next two hitters to load the bases for Anthony Basile, a catcher and infielder that decided to join the varsity as a senior. Basile was a well-known football and wrestling athlete for Agawam, but had only played American Legion baseball and not varsity until this season.

Basile would sock a long base hit over the drawn-in outfield to plate the game-winning run and give the Brownies their third win of the season.

Agawam did win its second in the final four games of the season.

Luke Rheault started for the Brownies and got through the first 3 1-3 innings allowing five runs on five hits. He walked three and struck out three. Joe Mercadante, who recently returned from a wrist injury, got two outs to get through the fourth inning.

Gallerani came into the game and finished it, going five innings allowing three runs on three hits, walking four and striking out two. He earned the win.

Basile went 3-for-6 with a run and two RBI. Seamus Curran played his final game in an Agawam uniform and went 2-for-4 with a double and two RBI.

There have been a lot of eyes on Curran during this season. Curran committed to the University of Rhode Island prior to this junior year, but has been catching the eye of major league scouts during this spring.

Rumors have circulated among national media that Curran has a chance of being drafted in the first-year player draft later this month. He has worked out with some major league teams, including the Baltimore Orioles during the past week since the season ended.

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Agawam Advertiser News for results of that game, and a potential quarterfinal matchup.

Agawam finished off the regular season with two wins against South Hadley, a victory on the road against Tantasqua, and another to finish the year against Cathedral High School.

On May 21, the Brownies completed a string of playing five games in seven days. The heavy schedule was necessary to make up games that were lost at the beginning of the year due to the harsh winter.

The Brownies were able to run all over South Hadley on the road, getting five goals and two assists from Katie Martin.

Agawam's offense had no trouble scoring goals and led 12-2 at halftime.

Jackie Nielsen would finish with three goals and four others had two goals each.

Agawam would finish the regular season with a 12-6 record. They had a rough time in their league, the Valley League, and went 2-6. They lost two games each against Longmeadow, Minnechaug, and Northampton, all teams that had 14 wins or better and potentially teams they could face in the later rounds of the tournament.

The two wins against South Hadley were Agawam's only league wins.

Agawam did have a pretty good offensive output this season. Katie Martin would lead the team with 75 goals and 25 assists

Julia Serra would finish second on the team with 55 goals, and Jackie Nielsen had 40 goals this year.

In last year's tournament, the Brownies opened up the playoffs against Marlborough and played a wild game, winning 16-11.

Agawam had an 11-3 lead at halftime, but Marlborough was able to come back and put a little pressure later on in the second to make the game closer.

Agawam would lose to Longmeadow in the quarterfinals 19-3.

Division winners



AGAWAM - The Agawam U-14 boys Pioneer Valley soccer team traveled to Cape Cod for a tournament on Memorial Day weekend, where they were the winners of their division. Back row: (from left to right) coach Jen Lingenberg, Mark Botin, Derek Davis, Justin Swistak, Justin Lingenberg, Dante Lee, Ben Mielnikowski, Dan Donahue, Sangmyoung Han, Matt Keenan, Brett Brenner, John Wheat, and coach Dan Keenan. Front row: Stanley Nieves, Jordan Rowe, Nate Colon, Eyan Corridan and Joe Pelligrino. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED PHOTO

GOLF CALENDAR

Annual tournament fights for autism

AGAWAM - The ninth annual charity golf tournament to benefit Radcliffe is the Reason and Arthur Too! Fight for Autism will take place Friday, June 12, at Oak Ridge Country Club, 850 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. with lunch starting at 11 a.m. Tee times begin at noon with a shotgun start. Prizes will be awarded. Following golf, dinner will begin at 6 p.m. featuring numerous raffle prizes.

Cost is \$560 per foursome, which includes greens fees and cart, lunch and dinner. Non-golfers may attend the dinner only for \$35. Checks should be made payable to Radcliffe is the Reason and Arthur Too! Fight for Autism, P.O. Box 894, East Longmeadow, MA 01028.

For more information visit radcliffefightsforautism.org or email radcliffe345@yahoo.com.

Golfers wanted for second annual Menard Memorial Golf Tournament

AGAWAM - The second annual William D. Menard Memorial Golf Tournament will take place at Oak Ridge Golf Club, 850 South Westfield St., on Sunday, June 14.

Local golf pro William, (Billy), Menard passed away unexpectedly after a short illness in October 2013 at the age of 29. Billy played golf for Agawam High School, Johnson Wales University; returning to Agawam to become an assistant pro at area courses including Crestview Country Club and Ellington Ridge in Connecticut.

Billy's passion for golf was reflected in his devotion to the sport in both his personal and professional life. Billy especially loved teaching junior golfers how to play the "right way" and always included the life's lessons that go with the sport.

Billy's family and friends would like to honor his memory by holding this annual tournament with proceeds going toward funding a scholarship established in his name. The scholarship will be presented to a local student studying golf course management in college; winners will be an-

nounced at the end of each tournament. This year marks the second year of the event held at Oak Ridge Golf Club in Feeding Hills, MA.

Golfers interested in playing, sponsors, and those wishing to make donations should contact; Bryan Menard at billygolf13@gmail.com for information and entry forms. The field is limited to 36 teams and entry fees and donations should be in by June 14.

Join Billy's family and friends in honoring his memory with a great day of golf and fun.

Date set for 2015 Jimmy Fund Jeffrey Vinick Memorial Golf Tournament

AGAWAM - The 36th Annual Jimmy Fund Golf Tournament/Jeffrey Vinick Memorial will take place Monday, June 15 at three area golf courses: Crestview Country Club in Agawam; The Ranch Golf Club in Southwick; and Ellington Ridge Country Club in Ellington, Conn.

Tournament organizers recently announced the 2015 sponsorship levels and they are as follows: Cart \$2,950; Bronze \$5,250; Silver \$7,500; Gold \$10,000; Platinum \$15,000; Platinum Plus \$20,000; Diamond \$25,000; and Double Diamond, \$50,000.

Each sponsorship level includes a variety of player spots, gifts, recognition opportunities and a listing in the tournament program and website. Sponsorships are also available for Hospitality Plus \$1,000; Hospitality \$575; Exclusive Hole \$300; Tee & Green \$175; and Hole in One.

Please consider joining us in the fight against cancer through a generous sponsorship at the level of your choice. All proceeds from this tournament will support adult and pediatric care and research at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

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Sports

Mutiny play in Northampton Saturday Night *New England hosts Jersey*

SPRINGFIELD - The New England Mutiny take on the Jersey Blues Saturday, June 6 at 7 p.m. at Northampton High School. In advance of the match, the Mutiny has strengthened its roster with several new additions.

Midfielder Julia Weithofer and defender Madison Smith of the UMass women's soccer team will join Minutewomen teammates Georgia Gibson and Meghan Burke. Weithofer returns to the Mutiny for her second season. The East Longmeadow native played her high school soccer under coach and longest tenured Mutiny player Jenny Maurer. Weithofer has played in all 39 games in her career under coach Ed Matz.

Smith, a mainstay in the UMass backline, helped the Minutewomen record six shutouts last fall. Smith, a junior from Bristol, Va., was second on the team with 1683 minutes played for UMass.

Veteran Mutiny defender Chelsea Botta returns to action for the Mutiny. The East Longmeadow native played for the Mutiny from 2009-2011. Botta started and played every game in her four-year career at Marist College with 83 starts in 83 games.

Returning to the Mutiny for a third season will be Central Connecticut State midfielder Tori Sousa. Sousa was named Northeast Conference Women's Soccer Player of the Year and second-team All-New England. The Nashua, N.H., native led the team in goals (seven), assists (six) and points (20). Sousa also notched two game-winning goals and led the Blue Devils to an NCAA tournament berth.

Also adding strength to the Mutiny mid-field will be Hartford's Sidney Spremullo. Spremullo started every match for coach John Natale this fall. She also joins current Hawks' teammates Stephanie Santos, Elise Galipo and Kristen McAdams on the Mutiny this summer.

The Mutiny returns to Northampton High School for the first time since a 1-0 victory over FC Indiana in 2012. It will be Pioneer Valley Soccer Night at the game. Youth players that wear their team's uniform will be admitted free at Saturday's game. New England's record is 1-0-0 (3 points) on the strength of a season opening win versus New York AC 2-1. Jersey is 0-0-3 (3 points) with three ties to begin the season.

Suffield Firemen's Road Race set for June 7

SUFFIELD - The Suffield Firemen's Annual 5K Road Race Run/Walk will take place Sunday, June 7. This event, in memory of Firefighter Paul R. Simison, begins at 9 a.m. sharp at Bruce Park in West Suffield.

Registration is \$25. Applications are available at Kent Memorial Library, 50 North Main St., Suffield Police Department, 911 Mountain Road, Suffield Town Hall, 83

Mountain Road and online at www.suffieldtownhall.com. Registration on the day of the race will take place from 7 to 8:30 a.m. at Bruce Park entrance, next to the police station. Registration is \$15 per entry for a member of a volunteer service organization or fire department competing as a team.

Seventh Annual Wave Triathlon Clinic and Race

WESTFIELD - On Sunday, June 7 Tater Racing will conduct the seventh Annual Westfield YMCA Wave Triathlon, benefiting the Westfield YMCA Wave Swim Team.

The "Sprint Distance" race consists of a .3 mile (less than 600-yard) swim in Pequot Pond at Hampton Ponds State Park, followed by a 13-mile bike ride, and ends with a 3-mile run.

The "Super Sprint" race will be a 300-yd swim, a 6.3-mile bike, and a mile run. This

is the perfect first race for the aspiring triathlete.

Last year's event drew 300 competitors from all over the Northeast and was the YMCA Wave swim team's largest fundraiser. Details can be found at www.wavetriathlon.com or by calling the race director at Lisa Totz 413-244-2506.

Volunteers are needed for race day, and signups are available online at signupgenius.com.

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year hitting, and she delivered a hard opposite-field shot to right-center, scoring two runs to make it 5-3 Agawam.

Taylor Marcotte, a senior and the second baseman, capped off the big inning when she went a ball down the right field line past a dive of the right fielder which turned into a three-run home run to make it 8-3.

Wheeler did not sit back after the big inning, and came back to retire West Springfield in order to get the win for the Brownies. She allowed three runs on four

hits. She walked one and struck out nine.

Marcotte, Uschmann, Wheeler, and Grasso had two hits each. Wheeler drove in two runs and Marcotte had four RBI.

After defeating Minnechaug last Friday night, the Brownies ended the regular season 15-5 and were scheduled to face Chicopee in the opening round of the tournament at home yesterday afternoon.

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Sabrina Dubiel fouls a ball off.



Rachel Laponese fields a base hit and makes a throw back to the infield. She is backed up by Ellen Vyce. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI



Anthony Frigo attempts a spike.

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assists. Hodovanac added 10 kills and four digs. Roman Mogan had 24 digs.

Agawam was scheduled to play Wednesday afternoon in the semifinals against Westfield. The Bombers beat Agawam twice this season. If Agawam is victorious, they would play in the finals on Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Holyoke Community College.

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Right: Caleb Hodovanec serves for the Brownies. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI



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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on **Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 6:00 PM** at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, Mass. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear the Request for Determination of Applicability of Agawam Plaza LLC for property located on Springfield Street.
By Order of **Henry A. Kozloski**, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission
6/4/15

**LEGAL AD
AGAWAM
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**
The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on **Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 6:10 PM** at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, Mass. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Calabrese for work to be performed on Samuel Street subject to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act.
By Order of **Henry A. Kozloski**, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission
6/4/15

**AUCTION
SOUTH AGAWAM
STORAGE**
1670 Main St
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6/4/15

**Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-8600
Docket No. HD15P0919EA
Estate of:
Cynthia E Ayre
Also Known As:
Cynthia E. Ayre
Date of Death: 4/10/15
NOTICE OF INFORMAL
PROBATE
GL. c. 190B, § 3-306**
To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Veterans Affairs, notice is hereby given on May 7, 2015 that the Petitioner **Nicholas A Krolicki** of Quincy MA intends to file with the above-named Probate and Family Court, not sooner than seven (7) days after this notice, a Petition for Informal Probate of a Will, a Petition for Informal Appointment of Personal Representative to serve without surety on the bond
Nicholas A Krolicki of Quincy MA
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
6/4/15

**Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-8600
Docket No. HD15P0836EA
Estate of:
James K Brown
Also Known As:
James K. Brown
Date of Death: 11/11/14
NOTICE OF INFORMAL
PROBATE
GIL. c. 190B, § 3-306**
To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Veterans Affairs, notice is hereby given on May 1, 2015 that the Petitioner **Nancy T Brown** of Feeding Hills MA intends to file with the above-named Probate and Family Court, not sooner than seven (7) days after this notice, a Petition for Informal Appointment of Personal Representative to serve without surety on the bond
Nancy T Brown of Feeding Hills MA
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
6/4/15

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Insurance Center of New England, one of the largest privately owned independent insurance agencies in New England, has been named the Northeast Regional Premier Agency of the Year by Central Mutual Insurance Co. In selecting ICNE for this award, Central Mutual cited the profitability of the agency’s commercial insurance business, level of new business written, and high degree of customer retention.
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Funeral June 3, 2015
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Agawam

Stack, Angelo Vincent Jr.
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Funeral June 1, 2015
Agawam Funeral Home



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CLUES ACROSS

1. Dried hemp leaves
5. Shuts
11. Golf shot
12. Emitting light
16. Maple genus
17. Integrated circuit
18. O'Reilly from "M.A.S.H."
19. SNL'S Olympia Rest. dish
24. Liberal degree
25. Short task trip
26. Must have something
27. Prefix for wrong
28. Student furniture piece
29. Semitic fertility god
30. Back talk
31. Lost brightness
33. Reconnaissance (Brit. military)
34. A narrative song
38. Men who cannot lose face
39. Bastard wing
40. 55121 MN
43. Young sheep
44. Fashioned
45. Short fight
49. Large payroll service Co.
50. Fantasy video game
51. Blind spot or ___ lutea
53. 39th state
54. Dessert topping
56. Eyelashes
58. Touchdown
59. 2nd largest Spanish river
60. Made poisonous
63. Favorite old shade trees
64. Table linen
65. A measured portion of medicine
- CLUES DOWN
1. Separated
2. 32-card game
3. Guides a vehicle
4. A brief run of luck
5. Baby bed
6. Manuscript gaps
7. Overdose
8. Yes in Spanish
9. Dog-___; shabby & worn
10. Mark with an asterisk
13. Potato state
14. Cereal giant
15. Lawn, sedge & cereal
20. Tin
21. ___, denotes past
22. Interpret written words
23. Jelly-like colloid
27. Speed of sound
29. Initials of "Jezebel" actress
30. Not wet
31. Supervises flying
32. In the year of Our Lord
33. Stood for election
34. A state of equilibrium
35. His magic lamp

36. Small sugar cube
37. Bachelor of Laws
38. Pa's partner
40. Wyatt ___, OK Corral
41. Device that makes 2 pieces compatible
42. NBC's parent Co.
44. Japanese apricot
45. Concrete leveling guide
46. Adobe dweller
47. Warning devices
48. Having many branches
50. ___ Vesh, "Star Wars"
51. Doc
52. Carrier's invention
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55. Contrary water movement
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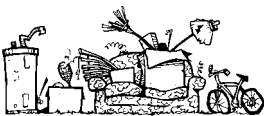
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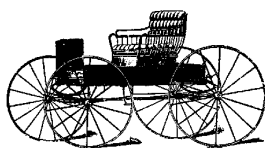
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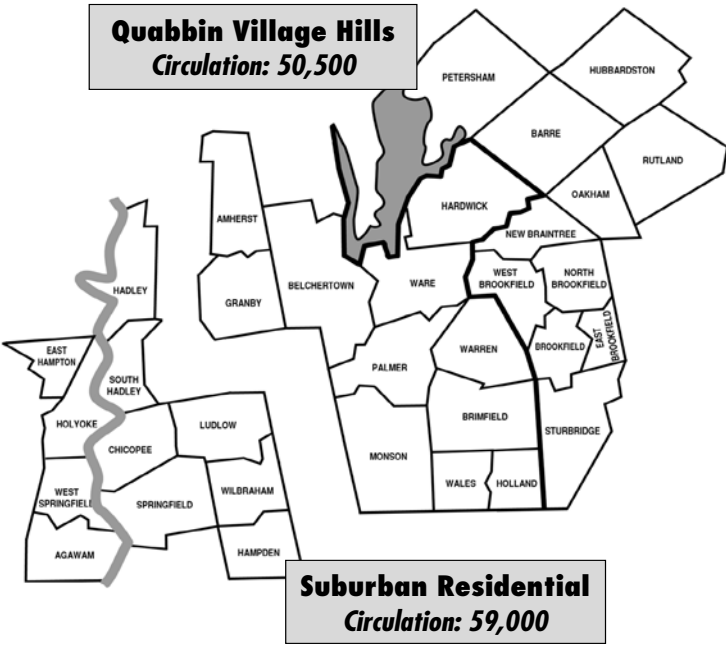


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Saturday, June 6

THE WEST SPRINGFIELD RUBBER STAMP & PAPER ARTS FESTIVAL Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Big E Better Living Center, 1305 Memorial Ave. Tickets, \$8, good both days; Sunday, \$6. Discount advance tickets available at heirloompro.com. Children 11 and under, Free

SCHOLA NOVA CONCLUDES ITS 32ND SEASON with a free concert of music by Tomás Luis de Victoria, referred to as "God's Composer" today at 7 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 335 Longmeadow St., Longmeadow and Sunday at 3 p.m. at Our Lady of the Valley Church, 33 Adams St., Easthampton. Free will offering accepted.

Sunday, June 7

THE WESTFIELD HOMELESS CAT PROJECT, a no-kill cat and kitten rescue, will hold a cat food drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Wal-Mart, 141 Springfield St., Westfield. Canned cat food is needed to feed hungry kittens, pregnant moms, and other homeless adult cats awaiting adoption.

Tuesday, June 9

THE AGAWAM COMMUNITY ARTISTS AND ARTISANS will meet at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. Liz Popolo will do a critique of paintings brought in by all attending members. Guests are welcome.

THE FRIENDS OF THE AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER will host a barbeque chicken dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. and is open to the public. Tickets for adults are \$10 when purchased in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets for children under 10 are \$5.

Wednesday, June 10

THE ELM-BELCHER MASONIC LODGE, 53 River St., Agawam offers an all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper at a cost of \$7 for adults, \$4 for children. The public is welcome.

Thursday, June 11

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "Everett Barney: A Tale of Steel & Ice," featuring Dr. Robert M. Girard, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

Sunday, June 14

THE WEST SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB will meet at 7 p.m. in the Church of the Good Shepherd, 214 Elm St. and will include business matters, special events, a small auction and refreshments. Guests welcome. For more information, call Peter Setian at 413-596-9871.

EXPERIENCE MUSIC AT UNITED will present Amanda Mole, organist, in recital at 3 p.m. She will utilize the Skinner organs in both the chapel and main sanctuary of United Congregational Church of Holyoke, 300 Appleton St. Suggested donation \$10; \$5, seniors and students). For more information, call 413-532-1483 or visit www.uccholyoke.org.

Feeding time



Cindy Weaver, of Agawam, took this photo recently from the window of her home of baby robins waiting patiently to be fed. The Agawam Advertiser News welcomes submissions from local photographers — send your images of local events and nature scenes to aan@turley.com. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Thursday, June 18

FORMER "THE VOICE" CONTESTANT NOAH LIS will perform at Heritage Woods Senior Living from 6 to 8 p.m. at 462 Main St., Agawam. Admission is free and refreshments will be served. Attendees are asked to bring a lawn chair or blanket. For more information, call 413-789-8332 or email nicole.wallace@genesishcc.com.

THE WEST SPRINGFIELD PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT will host the Cicci Santucci Jazz Quintet as part of its free summer concert series, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Storowton Village Green, 1305 Memorial Ave. Call 413-781-3020 after 3:30 p.m. for an update on time and venue and to find out if there is a weather related cancellation of programs.

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "American Impressionism: From the Hudson River School to Art Colonies," featuring Robin Hoffman and Jodi Stiffelman, co-founders of ArtScapades, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

Sunday, June 21

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL to host the Thomas Bergeron Trio at 40 Searle Road, Huntington. Admission \$10 at the door; students free. Open seating. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Monday, June 22

THE AGAWAM PUBLIC LIBRARY will hold READLocal, the kick-off event to the Adult Summer Reading Program, at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will meet and greet 11 local authors, enjoy refreshments provided by Partner's Catering, and sign up for upcoming summer events. No registration necessary.

Thursday, June 25

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "The American Renaissance: Artists and Collectors in the Victorian Era," featuring Guy McLain, director, Wood Museum of Springfield History, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

Friday, July 10

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL OPEN MIC MUSIC JAM at 7 p.m. Free admission. Performers determine format. Public welcome. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Sunday, July 12

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL presents Jose Gonzalex & Sons Criollo Clasico: Classical, folk and contemporary Latin music. Admission \$10 at the door; students free. Open seating. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Wednesday, July 15

RICK SPENCER WILL PRESENT a living history lecture, "To End All Wars: Songs for the 1st World War," at 6:30 p.m. at the Noble & Cooley Center for Historical Preservation, 42 Water St., Granville at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 413-357-6321.

Sunday, July 26

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL presents Charles Neville & Sons, legendary jazz saxophonist. Admission \$10 at the door; students free. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Saturday, Aug. 15

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL PUPPET SHOW for the whole family, 40 Searle Road, Huntington. Free for kids and adults. Open seating. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Saturday, Aug. 15

TOM KNIGHT PUPPET SHOW at North Hall, 40 Searle Road, Huntington at 11 a.m. Original songs and skits with handmade puppets, for families and young children. Reception. Art Gallery open. Free for kids and adults. Open seating. Wheelchair access, air-conditioned.

ONGOING

THE WESTFIELD FARMERS' MARKET is held every Thursday afternoon from 12:30 - 6 p.m. on the lawn of the Episcopal Church of the Atonement, 36 Court St. beginning June 4 and running until Oct. 8. Free parking available. Applications are still being accepted for vendors and entertainers. For information, contact the

Westfield Farmers' Market at 413-562-5461 ext. 101.

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. No registration needed.

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 459 Mill St., Agawam, offers "Crochet Club" every other Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This club is open to all needle-workers, including crocheters, knitters, quilters, and embroiderers. For more information, call 413-786-7991.

THE LADIES GLEE CLUB AND MEN'S CHOIR at the Springfield Turnverein, 60 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, are back to work. Practice is held every Wednesday with the ladies beginning at 7 p.m. followed by the men at 8:30 p.m. All are welcome. There is space available for anyone interested in joining.

A BREAST CANCER AND MASTECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:15 p.m. at 2 South Bridge Drive, Suite 1B, Agawam. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

AN ALL CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

A BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets the second Wednesday of each month at Heritage Woods Assisted Facility, 462 Main St., Agawam. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH FAMILY PLAYGROUP, which takes place at the church at 745 Main St., Agawam, is open to children birth through age 5 with a parent or caregiver and meets weekly on Thursdays from 9:30-11 a.m. It includes crafts, stories, songs, free play and more. For more information, call 413-786-7111 or email jbrownacc@verizon.net.

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Worn American flag collection at Big Y stores

WEST SPRINGFIELD — For the fourth year in a row, in honor of Flag Day, Big Y is collecting worn, torn, faded, or badly soiled American flags for proper retirement.

Now through June 10, all Big Y locations, including Fresh Acres and Table & Vine, will have special receptacles for accepting the worn flags. These flags will be delivered to local Boy Scouts, American Legions, VFWs and military organizations to ensure proper retirement with dignity and respect. Since 2012, Big Y has collected over 18,000 American flags for proper retirement.

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Spirit of service



The Mary Ann Studio of Dance, 745 Main St., Agawam, participated in the 25th anniversary of the Spirit of Springfield's Pancake Breakfast last month, as it has done every year, rain or shine. The young students, as well as the adult dancers took turns entertaining the crowd, some as they performed in public for the first time. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Teen summer reading begins June 25

Teens entering grades 7 through 12 are invited to join the Agawam Library Teen Summer Reading Program. Signups will be available online starting June 8 at www.agawamlibrary.org, by calling the library at 413-789-1550, ext. 3, or in person; pick up a reading log at the library. Members may check out age-appropriate books, magazines, or graphic novels from the library. Each item recorded on the reading card earns one raffle ticket. The program starts on June 25.

Teens must be registered for the Teen Summer Reading Program to attend programs.

Registration is required for all programs.

Monday, June 29, 6-8 p.m.: Teen Movie and Popcorn — "McFarland USA" A cross-country coach in a small California town transforms a team of athletes into championship contenders.

Monday, July 20, 6:30-8 p.m.: "Cook the Food You Want to Eat." Participants will learn a variety of cooking techniques that will teach everyone to prepare easy and healthy meals. Join Chef Liz Barbour from Creative Feast and enjoy sampling her work.

Monday, July 27, 6:30-8 p.m.: Teen Art with Stan and Sheila Coly from Thousand Cranes Art Studio. A dynamic lesson for teens that would like to try their hand at making an acrylic painting, focusing on a summer beach theme. Light snacks will be provided.

Monday, Aug. 10, 6-8 p.m.: Teen Glow-Games/Finale. Teens will enjoy interactive games like Frisbee, bowling, Twister and more in a dark room with "glow" for light. Pizza will be served following games and summer reading prizes will be awarded. Sponsored by the Agawam YMCA Program & Wellness Family Center.

Twin River trip open to the public

The Agawam Golden Agers, Chapter Two, will host a trip to the Twin River Casino in Lincoln, R.I., on Monday, July 20. This trip is open to the public. The cost is \$29 per person and includes all gratuities, transportation, a \$7 meal ticket and \$10 free slot play. The bus

will leave the Sacred Heart Church parking lot, 1103 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, at 8 a.m. and will return at 5 p.m.

For more information or reservations, contact Art Usher at 413-786-3567.

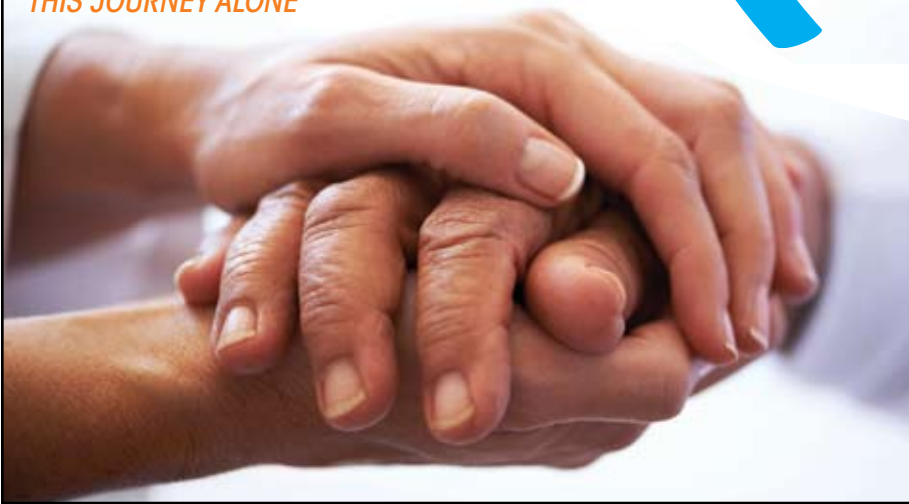
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"Popped Star" will perform at the Springfield Turnverein June 26, with proceeds to benefit the Agawam Lions Club. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Show to benefit Agawam Lions

The Agawam Lions Club will present "Popped Star" Friday, June 26, at 6 p.m. at the Springfield Turnverein, 60 N. Westfield St., Feeding Hills. The show is put on by the Comedy Mystery Tour.

Tickets are \$29 per person, \$55 per

couple and include hot and cold appetizers, dessert and coffee. Tables of 10 may be reserved.

For tickets, contact Charlie at 413-297-7387 or from any Agawam Lions Club member.

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